

IN SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES.

MAY 21, 1836.

Read, and ordered to be printed.

Mr. ROBBINS made the following

REPORT:

The Committee on Naval Affairs, to whom was referred the petition of Hannah Caldwell, submit thereon the following report and resolution:

The petitioner is the widow of William M. Caldwell, a lieutenant in the Navy of the United States, who died in September, 1825, of the yellow fever, contracted in the West Indies, in the naval service of the United States. The petitioner has received a pension granted under and by virtue of the pension act of Congress passed the 30th of June, 1834, to take effect from the passing of said act, as is required by said act; and which has been and is duly paid to her accordingly. Her petition now prays to have granted to her a sum equal to what she would have received if her pension had been granted to take effect from the death of said husband; and also a further sum equal to the difference between the half pay of a lieutenant at the time her said husband deceased, and the half of the pay and emoluments of a lieutenant at the present time. All which would be in direct violation of the said pension act of the 30th of June, 1834, in virtue of which her pension has been granted.

The committee therefore report the following resolution, and recommend its adoption:

Resolved, That that the prayer of said petition be not granted.

[Gales & Seaton, print.]

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Mr. SOUTHARD, from the Committee on the District of Columbia, laid the following document on the table, to accompany Senate bill No. 265.

The undersigned, members of the bar in the District of Columbia, believe that the law of 1832, respecting the recording of deeds, &c., contains several very serious defects; and would beg leave to recommend the within projet of a law on that subject, believing that it will fully answer the purposes it contemplates, and that the provision contained in its sixth section is in entire accordance with justice and good policy.

February, 1836.

TH. SEMMES,
R. J. TAYLOR,
THOMSON F. MASON,
B. HOOE,
CHR. NEALE,
R. JOHNSON, Jr.
W. CRANCH, C. J. &c.
F. S. KEY,
W. JONES.

I concur in the above,

This within projet has also been shown to Mr. Brent and Mr. Cox, who have approved of it.

T. F. MASON.

